

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
NASHVILLE DIVISION**

**MICHAEL DAVID SILLS and)
MARY SILLS,)**

Plaintiffs,)

v.)

**SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION,)
a non-profit corporation; DR. ED)
LITTON, Individually, and as agent)
and/or employee of SOUTHERN)
BAPTIST CONVENTION; LIFEWAY)
CHRISTIAN RESOURCES OF THE)
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION,)
a non-profit corporation; JENNIFER)
LYELL, Individually and as agent and/or)
employee of LIFEWAY CHRISTIAN)
RESOURCES OF THE SOUTHERN)
BAPTIST CONVENTION and)
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION;)
ERIC GEIGER, Individually and as)
agent and/or employee of LIFEWAY)
CHRISTIAN RESOURCES OF THE)
SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION)
and SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
CONVENTION; EXECUTIVE)
COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN)
BAPTIST CONVENTION, a non-profit)
corporation; BART BARBER,)
Individually and as agent and/or)
Employee of SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
CONVENTION; WILLIE MCLAURIN,)
Individually and as agent and/or)
employee of SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
CONVENTION and EXECUTIVE)
COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN)
BAPTIST CONVENTION; ROLLAND)
SLADE, Individually and as agent and/or)
employee of SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
CONVENTION and EXECUTIVE)
COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTHERN)
BAPTIST CONVENTION; THE)**

**Case No. 3:23-cv-00478
JUDGE WILLIAM L. CAMPBELL, JR.
Magistrate Judge Frensley**

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
 THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, a)
 non-profit corporation; DR. R. ALBERT)
 MOHLER, Individually and as agent)
 and/or employee of THE SOUTHERN)
 BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY)
 and SOUTHERN BAPTIST)
 CONVENTION; SOLUTIONPOINT)
 INTERNATIONAL, INC., a corporation,))
 individually and d/b/a GUIDEPOST)
 SOLUTIONS; and GUIDEPOST)
 SOLUTIONS, LLC a limited liability)
 corporation and agent of the Southern)
 Baptist Convention.)
)
 Defendants.)

MOTION TO CONTINUE THE INITIAL CASE MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE

Pursuant to Local Rules 7.01 and 16.01, Defendant, Guidepost Solutions, LLC, which is joined by Defendants, Lifeway Christian Resources, Jennifer Lyell, Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Willie McLaurin, and Rolland Slade (collectively the “Moving Defendants”) respectfully move the Court for a continuance of the Initial Case Management Conference (“ICMC”), currently set to take place telephonically on July 27, 2023 at 9:00 am central time (Doc. No. 4), to a date the week of **September 18, 2023**, after briefing is completed as to all motions to dismiss currently pending before the Court (*See* Doc. Nos. 73, 77, 83, 85, 88 and 91). Alternatively, the Moving Defendants ask that the ICMC be continued to the week of **August 14-17, 2023**¹, should the Court’s calendar allow.

Counsel for all parties have conferred, and the Moving Defendants have permission to represent that none of the parties oppose a continuance of the ICMC to the week of **August 14-17**,

¹ Counsel for Lifeway is not available August 18, 2023.

2023; however, counsel for Plaintiffs object to a continuance to the week of **September 18, 2023**, after briefing is completed on the pending motions to dismiss.

In seeking this extension, the Moving Defendants submit that it would be most productive to complete the briefing process on the pending motions to dismiss prior to setting and engaging discovery schedules so that the parties can better understand one another's positions. For that reason, the Moving Defendants seek a continuance to the week of **September 18, 2023**. None of the Defendants oppose such a continuance, but the Plaintiffs are opposed.

In the event the Court is not inclined to continue the ICMC to a date following completion of the brief, Moving Defendants ask that the Court continue the ICMC to the week of **August 14-17, 2023**, the timing of which none of the parties oppose.

The Moving Defendants respectfully request entry of an Order continuing the ICMC to the week of **September 18, 2023** or, alternatively, the week of **August 14-17, 2023**, as the Court's calendar allows.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing has been served via the ECF

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